# PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 13, 2025 10:30AM





REID MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

2261 Walton Way, Augusta, Georgia 30904

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

(Please sign and pass the friendship pad to your neighbor.)

PRELUDE Intrada Grayson Ives (b. 1948)

INTROIT Hosanna

\*CALL TO WORSHIP1

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me and become my salvation.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship the Lord with shouts of hosanna!

\*HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>2</sup>

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran

Lord of the long and suffering way, allow us to walk with you through Jerusalem, the way of bloodshed and death for the sake of our freedom and salvation. This is the mystery and wonder to us, and our hearts long to understand such sacrifice. You puzzle us with your suffering love that is more powerful than our brokenness; you puzzle us with your freely chosen humility; you puzzle us with your forgiveness that summons us beyond our hurt. Lord, make us uncomfortable so you may lead us into more life and deeper wonder; so that God may take who we are and break us open, and bless us and give us to the world. Grand us grace to welcome this holy restlessness, that we may live by the power of your Spirit, and in your name. Amen.

\*SILENCE

# \*DECLARATION OF PARDON

Christ has come that we might know ourselves as beloved, despite our sins, despite our doubts—forgiven, renewed, redeemed by his blood.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna! Let us shout it from the congregation, let us proclaim it with our lives!

(K-2nd graders are now dismissed to Children's Church / Angel Choir)

ANTHEM

A Stable Lamp Is Lighted

(You may find the text in your hymnal: 160)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Casto-Waters

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:28—40

SERMON

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND LABORS

Rev. Boyd Lien

## Thou Goest to Jerusalem

Thou goest to Jerusalem, O Son of God, to suffer,
And for a world of sinful men they spotless life to offer;
Thou bearest anguish, pain, and loss, the mockers' score, the scourge, the cross,
To win for us salvation.

Before Thee lies Gethsemane, the scene of bitter anguish;
Thine eyes behold the Calvary where Thou in pain must languish;
The bleeding wounds, the bitter gall, the crown of thorns, the judgement hall,
Thy burdened soul's affliction.

Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life; we pray Thee, Master, lead us Away from earth's vain, restless strife; with heavenly manna feed us. Thous who hast died to save the lost, help us, dear Lord, to weigh the cost, And follow Thee, our Saviour.

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

We Give Thee but Thine Own

**SCHUMANN** 

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

**DOXOLOGY** 

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION3

Extravagant God, you lavish your love on our poverty of heart, you open our eyes to the shortsightedness of our vision, you reach out your hands and show us what it means to give with joy and generosity, and to love life so that we may find it again through Jesus Christ, who offers himself for us. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*HYMN 197

Hosanna. Loud Hosanna

**ELLACOMBE** 

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*HYMN 71

Surely It Is God Who Saves Me (Refrain)
(Sung by the congregation and the choir)

**FIRST SONG** 

Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and He will be my Saviour.

\*All who are able please stand

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<sup>1</sup> from Psalm 118

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> prayer, slightly adapted, from confession written by Christine Jerrett

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> adapted prayer from the Anglican Church of Canada

# Sunday, April 13, 2025

# **Participating in Worship**

**Preaching** 

Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters

Worship Leaders

Rev. Nadine Ellsworth-Moran Rev. Boyd Lien

Musicians

Dr. Wayne Lord Chancel Choir

Friendship Pad Pick-up David Freeman

#### Ushers

Elliott Woodward John Robbins Glen Owen

Tennant Houston Ben Kay, IV Jennifer Pennington

#### **STAFF**

Reverend Dr. Brandi Casto-Waters, Pastor, ext. 303 Reverend Nadine Ellsworth-Moran, Associate Pastor, ext. 301 Reverend Boyd Lien, Parish Associate, ext. 314 Dr. Wayne Lord, Organist/Choirmaster, ext. 315 Mrs. Jenny Davison, Children's Music Assistant Ms. Joy Maple, Director of Christian Education, ext. 305 Mrs. Anna Sanders, Director of Mother's Day Out and Preschool, ext. 309 Mrs. Dawn McCraith, Director of Operations, ext. 302 Mrs. Becky Godbee, Communications Liaison, ext. 300 Mrs. Jenn Harrison, Financial Assistant, ext. 307 Mr. Leonard Jones, Facilities Manager Ms. Helen Moss, Custodian Ms. Ramona Ballard, Custodian Mr. Tyler Cashin, Audio/Visual Technician Administrative Office 706-733-2275



# **SESSION (ELDERS)**

Denise Rosenzweig, Clerk

| Class of 2026            | Class of 2027   |
|--------------------------|---|
| Shell Berry<br>Indee Few | Dana Cook-Cheape<br>Benton Johnson  |
| John Franklin            | Richard Sasnett   |
| Jed Howington            | Charlene Sizemore   |
| Cheryl Wilson            | Bob Speaks  |
| Bennett Yort             |   |
|                          | Shell Berry<br>Indee Few<br>John Franklin<br>Jed Howington<br>Cheryl Wilson |

## **BOARD OF DEACONS**

Linda Boyd, Moderator

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| Class of 2025 |
| Linda Boyd    |
| Hubert Cooke  |
| Judy Brigham  |
| Jan Markle    |
| Carla Owen    |
| Gail Owens    |
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# **ACTIVE STEPHEN LEADERS**

Myra Naglich Mandy Boland Jones Miller

Text Myra for confidential inquiry / support: 706-631-0879

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Iamie Driver Becky Godbee Carol Turner Joy Maple Barbara Miller Sonny Reece

Indee Few Kathryn McLeod Ann Overstreet Clay Stallworth



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